### Rules

# Nevada Biodiversity Initiative's Photo Contest 2004

## Must be Postmarked by January 15, 2005

C/o NBI Photo Contest
US Fish & Wildlife Service
1340 Financial Blvd. #234, Reno, NV 89502
Entry fee \$10.00 per artist for any number of entries

Biodiversity - Natural ecosystems & native species & the genetic variation within each species.

Natural ecosystems perform numerous critical services including regulation of climate and the hydrological cycle, replenishment of soils and their fertility, and detoxification of wastes. There are few man-made - let alone affordable - substitutes for these natural services. Unfortunately, we are losing much of Nevada's biodiversity. Over 240 native species are listed as threatened, endangered or as candidates for listing.

The Nevada Biodiversity Initiative (NBI) is an organization of state and federal agencies, universities, and private organizations that conduct and coordinate research in Nevada. The goal of NBI is to assemble, analyze, and interpret data on biological resources in Nevada and to provide this information in a usable format to agencies that have the statutory responsibility to manage these resources. The Initiative was developed to help integrate long-term planning for biological resources with public land management.

NBI is initiating this contest to collect images of native species, habitats, and landscapes that tell the story of Nevada. All images sent in will be kept in the NBI files as a catalog of Nevada's Biodiversity.

#### There are 3 categories for this contest:

Nevada Landscapes
Native Wildlife – fish, mammals, birds, reptiles, etc
Native Plants

#### **Contest Rules**

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to any photographer, amateur or professional.

**Prints:** Black-&-white or color prints sized from 4x6" on up.

Digital: You can print images and send them to us

**Slides**: All film entries must be in a positive transparency form.

Procedure: Each contestant may submit as many entries as desired. No photos will be returned; they will be kept for NBI to catalog Nevada's Biodiversity. If a photo is used in any publication, the photographer will be given credit. These photos will not be used for profit.

All entries must be postmarked by midnight January 15, 2005 and should be accompanied by an entry form (enclosed) and entry fee (\$10.00) which covers as many photos as you want to submit. Winners will be notified after March 15, 2005. You can view winning entries on our website: http://.nevada.fws.gov.

All photos will be held for possible publication. Entries should be submitted in black & white or color photos or slides. Print sizes can range from 4x6" up. All images must be marked with your name and address. All entries must be of outdoor themes. Both landscape and close-up shots are acceptable. Photographs with people or buildings as primary subject matter will not be considered.

There is no limit to the number of photographs that can be submitted with a single entry form and entry fee. Each photograph must be the work of the person submitting the photograph, and a signed entry form is required. Entrants under 18 years of age must submit a release from a parent or guardian. Entries will be evaluated based on appeal, content and photographic skill. The decision of the judges is final. In the event of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

NBI assumes no responsibility for submissions. Winning entrants agree that NBI has the right to use, without further compensation, their photographs for promotion & publication of annual reports and any other related use.

All entrants are required to pay a \$10.00 entry fee. Make checks payable to University of Nevada Foundation/NBI. Please mark on the check that it is for the photo contest.

Prizes: Cash Awards will be given to the 1st (\$50) and 2nd (\$25) place entries in all three categories.

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DEADLINE: JANUARY 15, 2005

This form must accompany a check for \$10, payable to: University of Nevada Foundation/NBI

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